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Applicant: Hiroaki Shizuya
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Respectfully submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please enter the following amendment and consider the following remarks prior to examination of this application:

In the Specification:

The following new paragraph has been inserted as paragraph 0002 on page 1 of the Specification:

A² This invention was made in part with government support under Department of Energy Grant No. DE-FG03-99ER62855/S-95,206. The government has certain rights in this invention.

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